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SYSTEM FOR USE IN SMALL JOINTS

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this paper in response to the Final Office Action dated February 1, 2007, along with a Request for Continued Examination and an Interview Request.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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